

OSR/I/OM Requirements for IPC List

Bulgaria

Objective I, a.

Soviet over-all politico-military strategy, intentions, and plans, particularly with respect to initiating hostilities using Soviet or satellite armed forces.

(A) GUIDED MISSILES

Basic Requirements

Indications of preparation for guided missile attack from land bases in Bulgaria.

Objective I, b.

Present and probable future Soviet capabilities for nuclear attack on the United States or key US overseas installations and for defense against air (including missiles) attack.

Background

There are no guided missile installations known to be located in Bulgaria. In the event of war the USSR might employ tactical guided missiles from bases in Bulgaria. It is unlikely that the USSR would plan to base long-range missiles or nuclear weapons in Bulgaria for an attack on the United States or key US installations.

(A) GUIDED MISSILES

Basic Requirements

Bulgaria could provide a Soviet base from which to operate against the areas on the northern shore of the Mediterranean and against the Iardanelles. Information is needed on the present status and future role of the country in the Soviet Bloc guided missile program. Data on performance and characteristics of operational guided missile weapons systems, precise locations of launching sites, and factory markings on components of missile weapons systems are required.

Little is known concerning the extent of military activities within certain "Prohibited Areas". It is likely that the presence of guided missiles in a country such as Bulgaria would result in the closing of areas where such units would be located. Therefore, information on military activities in prohibited areas is of considerable potential importance.

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ORR/I/OM Requirements for IPC List (Continued)

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Surveillance of certain targets in the Bulgarian rail or road transport system is required for detection of possible movement into Bulgaria of guided missile and auxiliary missile equipment (radar, launching equipment, and missile transport equipment). Information desired includes: description of the missiles and auxiliary equipment; their point of origin; destination; personnel accompanying the movement (if military, their branch of service and unit designation). Targets for such observation are rail and road centers and border stations.

Objective II, d.

The strengths and weaknesses of the Soviet (including Satellite) economy, with particular reference to its ability to support a major war; the motivation, character, and magnitude of current economic development programs, their implementation and their effect upon the economic, political and military strength of the Soviet Bloc; the capabilities and vulnerabilities of the Soviet and Satellite internal communications systems.

(L) RAILROADS

Basic Requirements

Information is needed on a continuing basis on the capabilities of Bulgarian rail and road networks to support the rapid deployment of Soviet guided missiles in Bulgaria.

Objective II, f.

The general capabilities of the Soviet and Satellite armed forces.

Basic Requirements

The degree, if any, to which Bulgarian units have received missile training in the USSR, and/or are equipped with Soviet missiles.